

## Today's News - November 21, 2002

Though not yet priced for Home Depot shelves, this clever pod (aka MPP) has multiple applications. – 7 World Trade Center design unveiled, along with plans to possibly double retail space in WTC master plan. – A call to integrate technology and human factors in sustainable design. – Awards are great - "Now if they would only teach social architecture. How refreshing that would be in the age of conspicuous consumption and ego encrusted commissions." – A 21st century barn "lifts the spirits...because it is not self-consciously, navel-gazingly architectural." – Times Square in the headlines with gigantic headlines of its own. – Can a 30-story statue of "the world's second-most-famous brand name – after Coca-Cola" be a key to waterfront revitalization in South Africa? – Regeneration plans for Belfast caught up in a political dilemma. – Gehry globally: the "Thomson-Gehry alliance is a magical one" for the Art Gallery of Ontario; his Museum of Tolerance in Jerusalem called both an "architectural oddity" that will require "mind-boggling" expenditures, and "a major architectural landmark of the world;" and he's part of an impressive shortlist in the UK. – The "timeless design" for a new symphony hall in Nashville (with links to design critiques and image gallery). – Ergonomics called "the next plague of the homebuilding industry" (yikes!)..and more.

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